

Senate Resolution 444

By: Senators Kemp of the 46th, Hooks of the 14th, Hudgens of the 47th and Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Senate to recite the pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag at appropriate times;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia law has included a pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag since 1951;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 50-3-2 provides that the pledge of
6 allegiance to the state flag is: "I pledge allegiance to the Georgia flag and to the principles
7 for which it stands: Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation"; and

8 WHEREAS, the words of the pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag appropriately
9 encompass the words "Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation," which have appeared on the Great
10 Seal of Georgia for more than 90 years; and

11 WHEREAS, the existence and words of the pledge of allegiance to the Georgia flag are not
12 well known among Senators or other Georgians; and

13 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper for the Senate to recite the pledge to the
14 Georgia flag.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
16 are urged to adopt a custom of reciting the pledge to the Georgia flag in unison at appropriate
17 times, including but not limited to the first and last days of the General Assembly session,
18 near the beginning of the Senate proceedings on such days.